## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 9004**

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A RESOLUTION to commemorate National Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month.

WHEREAS, in 1989, federal legislation was enacted to designate the month of October as National Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month in the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence affects millions of people in the United States, causes significant harm to the physical and mental health of survivors and their families, and undermines their economic stability and overall well-being; and

WHEREAS, while significant progress has been made in reducing domestic violence and improving services and support for survivors, much work remains to be done to expand prevention efforts and provide greater access to safety and healing; and

WHEREAS, one in four women and one in ten men have experienced sexual violence, physical violence, or stalking by an intimate partner during their lifetime. Homicide is one of the leading causes of death in the United States for women under the age of forty-four, and nearly half are killed by a current or former male intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, during National Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month, we can come together to reaffirm our commitment to ending domestic violence and supporting survivors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED
TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE
CONCURRING, that we join with our fellow Americans in commemorating the month of October as National Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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